

REMARKS**CHANGE OF CORRESPONDENCE and ENTITY STATUS**

Applicant filed a Change of Correspondence Address on October 26, 2004. Applicant respectfully requests that all correspondence from the U.S. Patent Office reflect this address. Applicant has attached a copy of the Change of Correspondence Address.

Applicant filed a Notification of Loss of Entitlement to Small Entity Status on July 15, 2004. As such, Applicant has submitted the issuance and publication filing fees on a large entity level and respectfully requests that all future correspondence (i.e., Maintenance Fee Notices) reflect this change.

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Applicant filed the present Application on December 28, 2001 as a divisional of United States Patent Application Serial No. 09/380,545, filed on September 3, 1999 ("the Parent '545 Patent Application"). The Parent '545 Patent Application issued as United States Patent No. 6,683,783 on January 27, 2004 ("the '783 Patent").

In the Preliminary Amendment Accompanying Request For Filing Divisional Application Under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b), filed December 28, 2001, Applicant inserted a RELATED APPLICATIONS section on page one of the Specification. Applicant has amended the first paragraph of the inserted RELATED APPLICATIONS section to reflect the issuance of the '783 Patent.

No new matter is added by this amendment to the specification.

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

On December 28, 2001 (*i.e.*, the filing date of the present Application), Applicant concurrently filed United States Patent Application Serial No. 10/033,075 ("the '075 Patent Application"), which, like the present Application, is a divisional of the Parent '545 Patent Application.

In the '075 Patent Application, Applicant was requested by the USPTO to

furnish a substitute drawing for FIGS. 17A and 17B appearing on Sheet 18/21 of the Application. As Applicant surmises that a similar request may be made in the present Application, to further facilitate prosecution, Applicant has herewith submitted for substitution the same substitute Sheet 18/21 that Applicant submitted and the USPTO accepted for the '075 Patent Application. Applicant has attached this substitute Sheet 18/21 herewith at Attachment A.

No new matter is added by this amendment to the drawings.

Respectfully submitted,

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Amendment to the Drawings

Please replace the enclosed drawing Sheet 18/21 in the Application.